

Grafton Riding Club

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NEWSLETTER & RALLY DAY NOTICES September/October 2014

Our rally day, held on Sunday 7th Sept 2014 was a very enjoyable and informative day. Our thanks to members Jill McKeown and Sonia George, for generously offering their time to provide dressage and general riding instruction.

The next general outing will be on Sunday 12th October with general instruction, more details to be sent out asap.

Our most sincere thanks to our long time member Judy Baldwin who has generously arranged the monthly rally days for many years. A very BIG THANK YOU Judy!

Your new club rally day organising committee will be Nicole Davenport, Janine Woods and Annie Lydon. Please thank these members when you see them for putting a hand up to have a go. Thank you ladies we appreciate your contributing your time to do this for the club.

The monthly rally days are an important part of the clubs regular activities and a lot is involved organising instructors, taking bookings, liaising with council and organising that essential BBQ lunch everyone so enjoys! If you have a suggestion or idea for a rally day please have a chat to one of the committee as they would really welcome fresh ideas from members.

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The final event for 2014 will be the **TShirt dressage training day on Sun 2nd November** (program under construction). A great opportunity for our members to practice tests in the relaxed atmosphere of a training day – no having to plait up or wear a jacket – especially as it can get a bit hot at this time of year.

Christmas Luncheon will be held on Sunday 7th Dec at Roche's Hotel, commencing at 11.45am. It will be essential to book in and more details will be available in next newsletter.

Also are there any members who have access to a santa claus outfit or know of someone who does who would consider offering their time to be involved in Xmas photos for members? It was suggested we have a xmas photo day where you can get a pic with your horses(s) too?

Annual General Meeting 9th Sept had insufficient members attending to proceed (quorum attendance requires 7 members) so has been deferred and will be held following the Xmas lunch.

A general meeting was held on 9th September (quorum attendance requires 5 members). Matters discussed included;

- need for a new rally day coordinator;
- organising rally day for Oct;
- setting the programme for the Tshirt dressage day in Nov;
- changing the club membership period (** see below);
- considering a new purchase of stock of club tshirts and caps in a different colour (purple?);
- purchase of 2 additional sets of dressage markers;
- purchase of 2 new laptops for the club (an additional one is required for scoring at dressage events).
- Removal of tree in front storage shed roller door, add an awning to clubhouse, install a sink and create a kitchen and eating area.

***** Re the club membership year**, this is currently July to June and has been this way for some time. However the club constitution (commenced 1986) has the calendar year as January to December and the committee has made the decision to return to this for several reasons.

For example the club annual dressage championships held in July means considerable additional work in collecting memberships prior to that event and this adds to the cost of entering for many people. So returning to January annual sign up will allow for easier management of

the membership registrations. Members paid until June 2015 will only pay half annual registration fee in January to bring you up to Dec 2015.

If you have any items or events you'd like to see advertised in the newsletter please contact me via email: normcom@bordnet.com.au

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